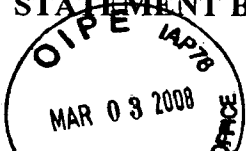


<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT PTO-1449</b> 	Docket No. <b>52433/842</b>	Application No. <b>10/576,224</b>	
	Applicant(s) <b>ISHIKAWA et al.</b>	Examiner <b>To Be Assigned</b>	
	Filing Date <b>April 13, 2006</b>	Confirmation No. <b>9443</b>	Art Unit <b>Not Yet Assigned</b>

## U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	PATENT/PUBLICATION NUMBER	PATENT/PUBLICATION DATE mm/dd/yyyy	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE*

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE mm/dd/yyyy	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						Yes	No
/JS/	JP 59-006355	January 13, 1984	JP			Abstract	
/JS/	JP 2003-049237	February 21, 2003	JP			Abstract	

## OTHER DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.
/JS/	Handbook on the Strength of Weld Joints, April 25, 1988, pp. 4-1 to 4-9
↓	Report No. 12, No. 4, Japan Welding Society, Fracture Toughness Evaluation of Multipass Weld HAZ with Focus on Mechanical Mis-Matching Effect, 1994, pp. 1-7 (w/ English language abstract)
↓	Report No. 87, The shipbuilding Research Association of Japan, , Evaluation of Brittle Fracture Toughness of Welded Joints of Ship under High Welding Heat Input, February 1978, pp 93-95, 98, 112, and 129
/JS/	Symposium on Welding Metallurgy of TMCP-Steel, May 1985, pp. 140-150

EXAMINER	/Jason Savage/	DATE CONSIDERED	09/29/2008
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.			